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SUBJECT: CSCE: GERMAN PRESS REPORTS PLANNED EC WARNING
TO SOVIETS

BEGIN SUMMARY: MAY 30 FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU CARRIES

GENEVA DATELINE REPORT BY PIERRE SIMONITSCH ENTITLED

"EUROPEANS PLAN WARNING TO SOVIETS AGAINST CSCE

STAGNATION." SENIOR GERMAN OFFICIAL EXPRESSED

CONCERN TO THE EMBASSY OVER "LEAKS" OF EC-9

DISCUSSION OF CSCE, WHICH IS BEING REPORTED BY SEPTELS.

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TEXT OF RUNDSCHAU ARTICLE FOLLOWS. END SUMMARY

BEGIN TEXT

1. DURING THEIR FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE IN BONN ON JUNE 10-11, THE NINE EC MEMBERS PLAN TO DIRECT A WARNING TO THE SOVIET UNION REGARDING THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE SLOW PROGRESS OF THE CSCE. IN THE COMMUNIQUE ON THE FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, THE NINE WANT TO STATE THAT THE EASTERN SIDE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PRESENT STAGNATION OF THE GENEVA NEGOTIATIONS. IT WAS LEARNED FROM CSCE CIRCLES THAT THIS WAS DECIDED IN THE CONSULTATIONS OF THE EC POLITICAL COMMITTEE IN BONN TUESDAY.

2. IN THIS MANNER, THE EC MEMBERS ALSO WANT TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR COHESION IN QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CSCE AND TO MAKE IT CLEAR TO THE SOVIET UNION THAT THE TEST OF NERVES CURRENTLY PRACTICED IN GENEVA WILL NOT ENTAIL A SOFTENING OF WESTERN SOLIDARITY. THE NINE, FURTHERMORE, INTEND TO MOVE FOR A SUMMER RECESS IN MID-JULY AND FOR CONTINUATION OF THE "WORKING PHASE" OF THE CSCE IN SEPTEMBER. THIS WOULD MEAN THAT THE SOLEMN CONCLUDING PHASE AT THE TOP POLITICAL LEVEL SOUGHT BY THE SOVIET UNION CAN IN NO CASE TAKE PLACE BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR UNLESS SATISFACTORY RESULTS ARE AVAILABLE BY SUMMER.

3. THE CSCE HAS BEEN STAGNATING SINCE EASTER IN THE MOST IMPORTANT SPHERES OF NEGOTIATIONS. IN THE PAST FEW DAYS, HOWEVER, THE EAST BLOC HAS MADE A REMARKABLE AND RATHER SURPRISING CONCESSION. HUNGARY HAD A DRAFT ON THE PRINCIPLE OF THE PEOPLES' SELF-DETERMINATION CIRCULATED WHICH PRACTICALLY IS A COPY OF A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED SOME TIME AGO BY FRANCE (AND THE OTHER EC COUNTRIES). AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT PART OF THIS TEXT IS THE PROVISION THAT THE SELF-DETERMINATION OF PEOPLES IS APPLICABLE ALSO BEYOND THE STATE BORDERS. IN CLEAR LANGUAGE THIS MEANS THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, INHABITANTS OF THE TWO GERMAN STATES CAN DECIDE BY VOTE WHETHER THEY DESIRE REUNIFICATION. END TEXT
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